THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L. NARASIMHA REDDY

W.P.NO.10639 OF 2006

Date: 31.05.2006

Between:

Manthena Padmaraju.

…. Petitioner

and

The District Collector,West Godavari, Eluru

& others.

… Respondents.

O R D E R:

The petitioner claims to be the absolute owner and possessor of an extent of Ac.2.38 cents of land in survey No.31 of Prathallameraka village, Kalla mandal, West Godavari district. He complains that the respondents are trying to dispossess him from the said land, without initiating any proceedings.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Government Pleader for Revenue.

The petitioner asserts that he is the absolute owner and possessor of the land referred to above. Even assuming that the Government had right over the said land, the petitioner can be proceeded against, only after initiating proceedings in accordance with law. The respondents cannot evict or otherwise interfere with the possession of the petitioner over the land, without having recourse to such proceedings.

Hence, the writ petition is disposed of, directing that the rights of the petitioner shall not be interfered with or invaded by the respondents except by initiating proceedings in accordance with law. There shall be no order as to costs.

31.05.2006

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